GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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HIV/ AIDS AFFECTED CHILDREN
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to formulate a scheme to protect, care and support children affected by HIV/AIDS; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) & (b) Yes, sir. Under National AIDS Control Programme (Phase-III; 2006-11), it is proposed to implement a programme for prevention, care and treatment of children infected or affected by HIV/AIDS. Specific interventions include scaling up of prevention of HIV infection to newborns through Prevention of Parent to Child Transmission (PPTCT) and treatment of estimated 40,000 children with pediatric anti-retroviral drugs by 2011.